

DEMOCRATIC VOTE AND INTEREST LAG

Secretary Alone at Headquarters and Watchers at Polls Are Scarce

NO PLANS FOR RETURNS

Apathy prevails about headquarters of the Democratic city executive committee today.

Secretary Haas was the only official to be found at the committee rooms, Tenth and Walnut streets, during the day.

No word had reached him, he said, from the various wards, and no arrangements had been made to receive returns at headquarters after the close of the polls.

Conditions at the committee offices reflected those prevalent at the polling places. Democratic watchers were not in evidence in many divisions. The majority and the campaign of Judge Eugene C. Bonnell for the Common Pleas bench served to bring out no more than an "off year" vote.

Even in the Sixth ward, the sole Democratic remnant of a potent organization, the party representation during the morning and early afternoon was reported scarcely in the room.

The contest for the executive nomination was between Harry D. Westcott and former Congressman Michael Donohoe. The latter is reported to be polling a fair party vote in the north-east section.

SEE MOORE VICTORY WEST OF SCHUYLKILL

Independents Predict Big Majority for Congressman Mackey Silent

Moore leaders in the West Philadelphia wards expect a big majority for the congressman candidate.

Blakely, R. M. Quinn, independent leader in the Twenty-fourth ward and candidate for county commissioner on the Independent ticket, said today:

"The Moore ticket will have a majority of 2500 in this ward.

"I'm not so certain about figures, but I predict a large majority for the Independent ticket in the Fourth ward," said George Connell, independent candidate for councilman in the Fourth Senatorial district.

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MOORE AND VARE Council Ticket

First District Moore—Harry Hazard, David Morris and Isaac L. S. Smith.

Second District Moore—G. Edward Dickerson, Vane—William E. Finley, Joseph P. Gaffney and Edwin R. Cox.

Third District Moore—Joshua Evans, Vane—Isaac D. Hetzell.

Fourth District Moore—Francis F. Birch, George Connel, James A. Devlin and Samuel W. Harrison.

Fifth District Moore—H. Edgar Barnes, John F. Dugan, David G. Frankendorf and Dr. W. W. Weaver.

Sixth District Moore—W. W. Roper and Charles H. Von Tager. (No endorsement by committee of one hundred as between Sigmund J. Gans and John E. Smith for third place.)

Seventh District Moore—Alexis J. Lumburner, Hugh L. Montgomery and Richard Wexlin.

Eighth District Moore—John Hager, William R. Hornard and Robert J. Patton.

Ninth District Moore—Clarence K. Crossan, John J. McKelvey, Jr., and William T. Scangle.

"Silent Vote" Factor in Election Today

Continued From Page One against Patterson. As proof that his supply of coin was not exhausted he drew fifty new crisp \$100 bills from his trousers' pocket.

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LANDSLIDE MOORE SAYS HE VOTES

Continued From Page One Grady, judge of election in the division and an acquaintance of long standing.

He shook hands with John J. McCormack, independent Republican leader of the division and treasurer of the Brotherhood of Painters.

Shake Hands All Round As the candidate appeared again at the door of the voting place the crowd outside renewed its noisy demonstration.

From the voting place Mr. Moore walked to 212 Cypress street, where he greeted one of the oldest voters of the division, W. H. Quick, remarking to the friends who were with him that he had known Quick for the last thirty years.

DENIES HOG ISLAND IS TO BE ABANDONED

Matthew C. Brush Says 78 Ships of Original Contract Still Are to Be Delivered

FUTURE OF YARD DISCUSSED

Denying rumors that Hog Island is to be abandoned as a ship construction plant, Matthew C. Brush, president of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation, today issued the following statement:

"The American International Shipbuilding Corporation, operating Hog Island, commenced the operation of the full capacity, fifty ways, November 18, 1918, and at the present moment we have fifty ships in various degrees of construction, with approximately 30,000 men and women working at the plant.

"As matters now stand with respect to the present and future work, the original contract for 110 cargo ships of about 7500 deadweight tons capacity and seventy cargo ships of about 8000 deadweight tons capacity, which order was changed from cargo to troop ships.

"Of the 110 7500-ton cargo ships—forty-four have been delivered, nine are in the way being outfitted, making a total of fifty-three launched.

"The troop type of vessel twelve keels are now laid which, together with thirty-eight keels of the other type of vessel, completely fills the fifty ways.

"The first of the troop ships will be launched about October 15.

"There are yet to be delivered, not counting the twenty-three ships suspended, seventy-eight ships, of which sixty-six are of the 7500-ton type and twelve of the 8000 deadweight ton troopship type.

"As to whether or not the plant is to be continued as a shipbuilding plant—as a terminal, as a repair yard, or a combination of any two—this is not known at the present time. The matter has been discussed for many months by officials of Philadelphia and officers of this company and the fleet corporation.

"It will take upward of one year to complete the seventy-eight ships still under contract, and plans for a terminal or any other proposition for Hog Island other than the construction of ships cannot become effective before the last ship is completed."

WOMEN AT PHONE URGE MOORE VOTE

Street-Corner Appeals and Noon-Hour Visits to Factories Employed

Women in all parts of the city are working hard for Congressman Moore. All sorts of methods are being used to get hesitating citizens to the polls.

The man was first called on the phone. A determined feminine voice told him it is time to vote. No argument was accepted.

Opening of the polls at the southeast corner of Ninth and Venango streets was delayed somewhat this morning by Bailey's absence.

Francis L. Bailey, a Vane worker of the Forty-third ward, is home on leave in an automobile. He arrived at his home, 3023 North Davitt street, shortly after 10 o'clock this morning.

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CONTRAST IN PREDICTIONS

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WORKERS DESERT CITY HALL TO RALLY VOTERS AT POLLS

Political Placeholders Send Word They're Sick, but Everybody Knows It Means They're Helping in Their Divisions

The "sick list" at City Hall today is one of the largest ever recorded. "Absenteeism" is the rule, rather than the exception, in most of the city and county departments.

Many workers who are counted upon to carry their divisions in doubtful wards suffered from a malady which even the most verdant student of uncharacteristic politics.

The absent treatment was not only given by humble division workers, but a number of high-priced heads were also among the missing.

Some of these latter made good by short visits to see that their desks were open. When the roll call was put into business and change they were quickly deserted and even the men who remained on the job throughout the morning were nervous and apparently could not concentrate on their duties.

Cheer One Another One of the favorite games of present officials has been to cheer each other as to the outcome of today's battle of the ballots.

The "horrid zone of politics," as it has been known in the past, is a "hot bed" today. It is the Eight Senatorial district, including the Twenty-third, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Forty-first, Forty-fifth, Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh wards.

A battle for minor nominations with the Moore-Patterson issue dominating was begun before daylight by the ward leaders. A hundred ballots in the first ward were cast for the Independent ticket.

Among the earliest to enter the battling there was State Representative James Dunn, leader of the Twenty-third ward. His first act was to issue a statement denying his reported withdrawal from the contest.

His opponent, Captain Edward G. Costello, a candidate for Council, independent of all factions, Captain Costello, who saw many battles in France, stamped the district this morning.

Real Estate Assessor David T. Herz, Republican Alliance leader, was one of the first to enter the Twenty-third ward of the Twenty-third ward, Arrott and Large streets, Frankford.

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Two of the most active candidates in the councilmanic fight in the Thirty-third ward were Select Councilman John J. McKelvey, on the Vane ticket, and Robert J. Patton, McKelvey was one of the first to mark up his ballot sheet at the second division, Howard and Somerset streets. He was confident of election. So was Patton.

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40-CENT PAYMENT BY BANK POSSIBLE

North Penn Depositors to Get Nearly Half If Institution Is Sold OTHERWISE 26 PER CENT

North Penn Bank depositors will receive approximately twenty-six cents on the dollar, with a possibility of realizing about forty cents if the looted institution is "sold" by another bank and more of its potential assets realized.

Statement of the exact condition of the looted institution will be filed within a few days with the prothonotary by Colonel Fred Taylor Pusey, special deputy attorney general in charge of the bank funds.

With the announcement of the condition of the bank, it was learned at the district attorney's office that more arrests of persons implicated in the looting will be placed under arrest.

Shortage About \$2,500,000 The appraisement shows that the bank has liabilities totaling about \$4,000,000, about \$1,500,000 more than had been estimated, and assets valued at \$1,500,000, showing a shortage of approximately \$2,500,000.

The time of settlement of claims is estimated at from four to six months, unless some other institution purchases the North Penn Bank and settles with the depositors.

One million dollars of the assets should be available for distribution to depositors, according to Colonel Pusey. The depositors' claims, including those of the Liberty Bond holders, amount to \$3,750,000.

More than \$2,000,000 of the \$4,000,000 deficit represents "easy money" loaned out by bank officials, which is considered irretrievable.

Urges Bank to Buy Every effort will be made by the state to persuade one of the three institutions dickering for the North Penn Bank to go through with the deal, so that the affairs of the defunct institution may be straightened out as soon as possible and with the best possible payment to the depositors.

Notices will be sent to depositors as soon as the formal appraisement is filed, Colonel Pusey said, and they will be given opportunity, in alphabetical order, to file and prove their claims.

The North Penn Bank closed its doors on order of Banking Commissioner Fisher on July 17. The resulting examination showed an astonishing state of laxity and crookedness.

The cashier and two directors of the bank have already been indicted by the grand jury, a former banking commissioner and a former insurance commissioner are held in jail awaiting the action of the grand jury and the paying teller is being held in \$35,000 bail for court.

District Attorney Rotan would give no intimation as to who will be arrested after the statement of assets is filed.

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HUSBAND KILLED, WIFE AND MAN HELD

Quarry Superintendent Is Shot From Ambush at Tablet, Pa.

ACCUSED VISITED HOME

Mrs. John Humes and Ralph Kramer are under arrest at West Chester following the mysterious murder of John Humes, a quarry superintendent, at Tablet, Pa.

Conflicting stories told by Kramer, twenty-six years old, an employe, and the wife shortly after the arrest of the former led to the detention of Mrs. Humes at the order of District Attorney Truman Wade.

Humes was shot through the heart early yesterday morning as he entered a woodshed in the rear of his home. The assailant hid in ambush and, after firing the shot, fled. Kramer was arrested a short time later and, according to the county authorities, has virtually confessed to the crime.

Mrs. Humes summoned the police after the shooting and told a story which later conflicted with one told by Kramer. Both, however, are said to have admitted that Kramer was a frequent visitor to the Humes home during the hours when the superintendent was busy at the quarry.

Sensational developments along lines not divulged are promised today by the district attorney, who says the crime has many angles not visible from the surface. One theory is that the woman knew of Kramer's jealousy of her husband and his threats and made no effort to thwart them.

The wife will have a hearing today. Progress on the work of constructing the Frankford "L" line and on other transit work is not to be halted on account of the equity proceeding instituted by Solomon C. Kraus, pending in the Supreme Court, to test the validity of the municipal loans, as affected by the new charter bill.

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DEATHS

REIDEMAN—Sept. 14, REIDEMAN, widow of Fred Reideman, aged 87. Relatives and friends invited to funeral, Wed., 1:30 p. m., residence of son, Thomas S. Reideman, 24 Argyle ave., Ambler, Pa. Services St. John's Church, Center Square, 3:30 p. m. Interment at Mt. Airy.

HENRY BATES GRUBB. Died notice of funeral will be given.

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MOORE AND VARE Tickets at Primaries

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RECORDER OF DEEDS Lieutenant Colonel Thomas F. Meehan COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Blakeley D. McCaughy Frank J. Schneider SHERIFF Robert E. Lamberton

CORONER William E. Campbell CLERK OF QUARTER SESSIONS Thomas W. Cunningham

MAGISTRATES Robert Carson Robert Birchall Maxwell Stevenson Joseph O'Brien

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The state law requires that September 25 or the "school day nearest such day" shall be designated as Frances Willard Day, and the superintendent has set the time for local observance on September 26.

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TURBULENT FIUME ISOLATED BY ITALY

D'Annunzio's Plot Traced to Venice, Where Prefect Is Ripped From Office

By the Associated Press London, Sept. 16.—Italian government measures have resulted in the isolation of Fiume, according to official advices from Italy received here.

It is declared that the plot for the occupation of Fiume by the irregular forces under Gabriele D'Annunzio was found to have originated in Venice. The prefect of Venice, it is stated, has been removed from office, and Italian soldiers forces there, which were about to join the insurgents in Fiume, have returned to their barracks.

The government has prohibited publication of any news concerning the military events at Fiume. A special commissioner has been appointed to supervise this censorship. He is armed with authority to sequester all editions of newspapers contravening the government order.

Paris, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Twenty-five thousand Italian troops now are in Fiume, according to the latest advices to the Italian press delegation here. The British and French troops have left the city, leaving their flags at D'Annunzio's request.

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Signor Tittoni, minister of foreign affairs, is returning to Italy tomorrow.

BALLOTS RUN OUT

Voting in 26th Division of 33d Ward Held Up

First complaint of a shortage of ballots came today from the twenty-sixth division of the Thirty-third ward. The polling place was supplied with only 200 ballots, although there are 340 registered voters there. The law requires fifty ballots for every forty registered voters.

For an hour after the shortage was discovered the election officers were unable to reach the county commissioner's office, where they were responsible for the oversight. Moore watchers reported the shortage to their general headquarters and machinery was put in motion at once to rush the needed ballots out.

BIG VOTE OUT IN PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh, Sept. 16.—(By A. P.)—Early indications were that a record-breaking vote would be cast in Allegheny county's primary election today. Break voting from the time the polls opened at 7 o'clock was reported throughout the city.

Unusual interest in the election will make for a record vote, it is believed, in that a hot contest has been waged between rival factions of the Republican party to secure nominees for city and county positions. One faction is led by Max G. Leslie and the other is called the anti-Leslie force.

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